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**PATENT APPLICATION*****IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE***

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*Art Unit:* 3643

*Attorney*  
*Docket No.:* 121056-028

*Applicant:* Yasushi KOHNO

*Invention:* METHOD OF PREVENTING DEFECTIVE  
GERMINATION OR ROSETTE  
FORMATION OF SEED

*Serial No:* 10/007,186

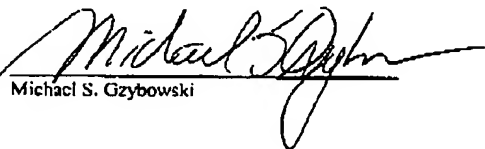
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**AMENDMENT**

Commissioner of Patents  
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed May 8, 2006 in connection with the above-identified application, please amend the application as follows.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of the claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 5 of this paper.